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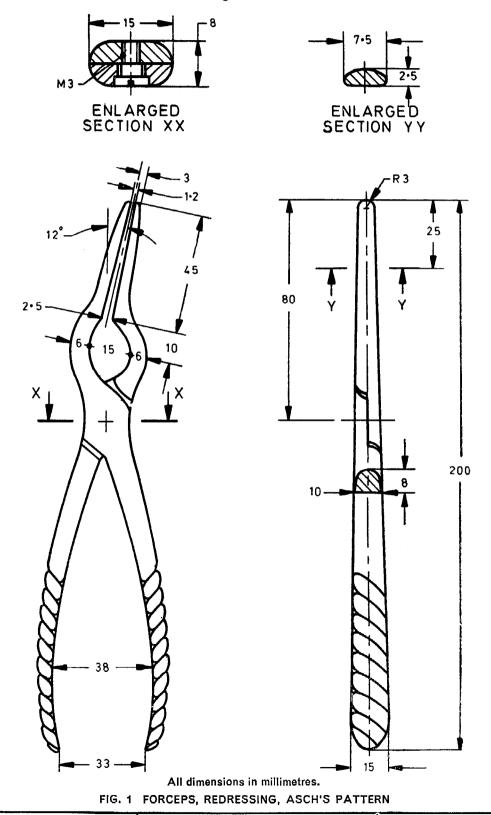


Indian Standard

SPECIFICATION FOR FORCEPS, REDRESSING, ASCH'S PATTERN

 $\textbf{1. Scope} - \textbf{D} imensional \ and \ other \ requirements \ for \ Asch's \ pattern \ redressing \ forceps \ used \ in \ ENT \ surgery.$

2. Shape and Dimensions — As shown in Fig. 1.



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- 2.1 A deviation of ± 2.5 percent shall be allowed on all dimensions.
- 3. Material Stainless steel conforming to Designation 20Cr13 or 30Cr13 of IS: 6603-1972 'Specification for stainless steel bars and flats'.

4. Workmanship and Finish

- 4.1 The forceps shall be free from cracks, seams, burrs, flaws and other surface defects.
- 4.2 All the surfaces shall be finished smooth.
- 4.3 The forceps shall be symmetrical and of balanced construction and both arms shall match.
- 4.4. The arms shall open and close smoothly without any friction or undue resistance or play at the joint.
- 4.5 The forceps shall be passivated and finished dull.
- 5. Heat Treatment The forceps shall be uniformly hardened and tempered to give a hardness of 400 to 450 HV.

6. Tests

- **6.1** Corrosion Resistance Test the forceps for corrosion in accordance with IS: 7531-1975 'Method for boiling and autoclaving test for corrosion resistance of stainless steel surgical instruments'. The forceps including the joints shall show no sign of corrosion.
- 7. Marking Each forceps shall be legibly and indelibly marked with the manufacturer's name, initials or registered trade-mark, and the country of manufacture.
- 7.1 ISI Certification Marking Details available with the Indian Standards Institution.
- 8. Packing The forceps shall be put either in polyethylene bag or wrapped in wax paper and shall then be packed in individual corton in accordance with current trade practice. The forceps may also be packed as agreed to between the purchaser and the supplier.